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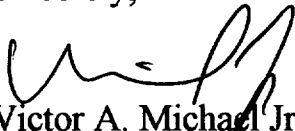
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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Center, Colorado.

Sincerely,



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FM Broadcast Stations )

(Center, Colorado) )

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### PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 287A (105.3 Mhz) to Center, Colorado as its first local FM allotment.

### INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 287A (105.3 Mhz) to Center and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 287A to Center will have.

### DISCUSSION

2. Center is located in South Central Colorado. It is also located within Saguache County, a county of some 4,619 persons. Center has a population of 1,963 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 287A to Center will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Center is located at Monte Vista, Colorado. Monte Vista is located 17 kilometers from Center.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Center is presently without local FM service.

4. Center would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 17 Kilometers of Center. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Center area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.

5. Channel 287A can be allotted to Center and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Center, Colorado	-----	287A

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 287A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 287A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study ( N 37 - 45' - 00", W. 106 - 06' - 24") are that of a site located within the community of Center. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 287A to Center. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Center. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

### CONCLUSION

7. It has been shown that Center would benefit from the allotment of channel 287A. It has also been shown that channel 287A can be allotted to Center and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 287A for Center, Colorado , 73.202.

8. Should channel 287A be allotted to Center, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Center, Colorado.

## CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated: February 10, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'V. Michael Jr.', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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MAPFM search of channel 287A6 (105.3 MHz), at N. 37 45 0, W. 106 6 24.

Searching Channel 287A6 (105.3 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
ALC	Rye	CO	285	A	A	105.3	31.0	79.6°	74.3
ALC	Denver	CO	286	C	U	219.7	165.0	20.8°	54.7
KXKLFM	Denver	CO	286	C	L	219.7	165.0	20.8°	54.7
ALC	Santa Fe	NM	286	C	U	221.0	165.0	189.8°	56.0
KRZN	Santa Fe	NM	286	C	L	221.0	165.0	189.8°	56.0
ALC	Rifle	CO	287	C	U	258.4	226.0	316.2°	32.4
ALC	Durango	CO	287	A	V	165.4	115.0	250.9°	50.4
KZKS	Rifle	CO	287	C	L	256.8	226.0	316.7°	30.8
NEW	Durango	CO	287	A	A	167.2	115.0	251.1°	52.2
NEW	Durango	CO	287	A	A	168.1	115.0	251.2°	53.1
NEW	Durango	CO	287	A	A	181.3	115.0	250.1°	66.3
NEW	Durango	CO	287	A	A	167.2	115.0	251.1°	52.2
NEW	Durango	CO	287	A	A	168.1	115.0	251.2°	53.1
NEW	Durango	CO	287	A	A	167.2	115.0	251.1°	52.2
NEW	Durango	CO	287	A	A	158.4	115.0	253.2°	43.4
NEW	Durango	CO	287	A	A	158.4	115.0	253.3°	43.4
NEW	Durango	CO	287	A	A	158.4	115.0	253.3°	43.4
ALC	Security	CO	288	C3	U	155.1	89.0	44.6°	66.1
KSKX	Security	CO	288	C3	L	155.1	89.0	44.6°	66.1
ALC	Ouray	CO	289	C	U	163.6	95.0	290.5°	68.6
KURA	Ouray	CO	289	C	C	154.7	95.0	297.2°	59.7

FIGURE 1  
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING  
CENTER, COLORADO